

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **FLOOR SWEEP ASSEMBLY FOR A GRAIN DRYER HAVING PRIMARY SUPPORT MEMBERS AND ANCILLARY SUPPORT MEMBERS WHICH FORM A NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS WITH A WIPER**, the specification of which is filed herewith.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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For: **FLOOR SWEEP ASSEMBLY FOR A GRAIN DRYER HAVING PRIMARY SUPPORT MEMBERS AND ANCILLARY SUPPORT MEMBERS WHICH FORM A NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS WITH A WIPER**

**Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status  
(37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9(c) and 1.27(b)) - Independent Inventor**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, with regard to the invention entitled **FLOOR SWEEP ASSEMBLY FOR A GRAIN DRYER HAVING PRIMARY SUPPORT MEMBERS AND ANCILLARY SUPPORT MEMBERS WHICH FORM A NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS WITH A WIPER** described in

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I hereby declare that I am

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I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled FLOOR SWEEP ASSEMBLY FOR A GRAIN DRYER HAVING PRIMARY SUPPORT MEMBERS AND ANCILLARY SUPPORT MEMBERS WHICH FORM A NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS WITH A WIPER by inventor(s) McKenzie et al. described in

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